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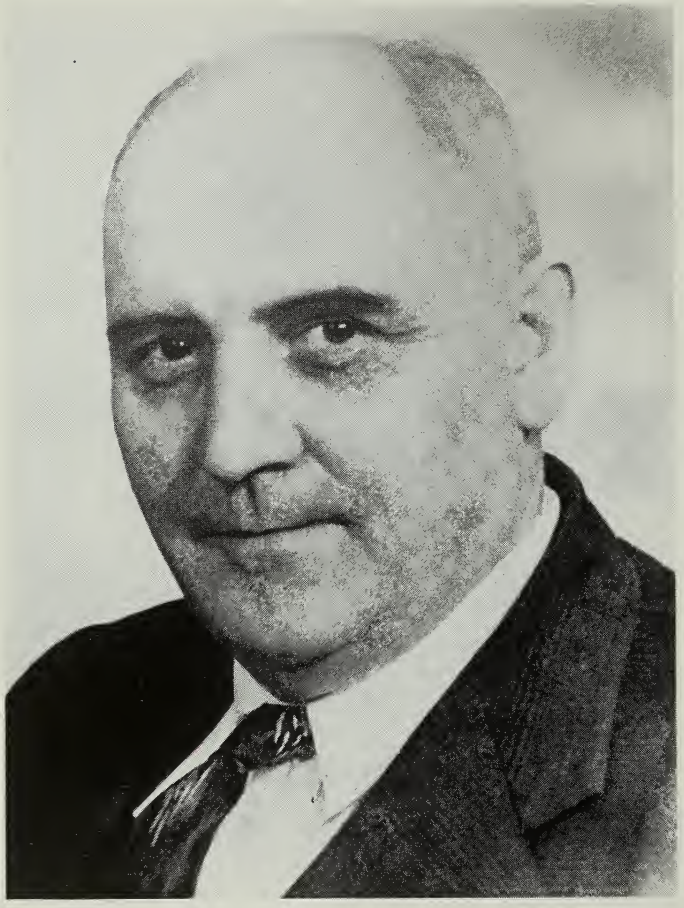

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Biography

Reid Fred Murray was born in Ogdensburg, Waupaca County, Wis., October 16, 1887; attended the public schools and Manawa High School; was graduated from the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin at Madison in 1916; served as agricultural agent for railroads in St. Paul, Minn., 1914–17, for Winnebago County, Wis., 1917–19, and for the First National Bank, Oshkosh, Wis., 1919–22; professor of animal husbandry, at the College of Agriculture, University of Wisconsin, 1922–27; owner and manager of the Waupaca Cattle Credit Co.; engaged in agricultural pursuits and in the buying and selling of cattle and farms, Waupaca, Wis., 1927–39; elected as a Republican to the Seventy-sixth and to the six succeeding Congresses, and served from January 3, 1939, until his death in the naval hospital at Bethesda, Md., April 29, 1952; interment in Lakeside Cemetery, Ogdensburg, Wis.

In the House of Representatives

THURSDAY, *February 28, 1952.*

Mr. REGAN. Mr. Speaker, I present a resolution (H. Res. 543) covering memorial services in the House to be held on Wednesday, May 14, 1952, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That on Wednesday, May 14, 1952, immediately after the approval of the Journal, the House shall stand at recess for the purpose of holding the memorial services as arranged by the Committee on House Administration under the provision of clause (1) (j) (2) (C) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives. The order of exercises and proceedings of the service shall be printed in the Congressional Record, and all Members shall have leave for 60 legislative days to extend their remarks in the Congressional Record on the life, character, and public service of deceased Members. At the conclusion of the proceedings, the Speaker shall call the House to order and then as a further mark of respect to the memories of the deceased he shall declare the House adjourned.

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The resolution was agreed to.

Memorial Services
in the
House of Representatives

Eighty-second Congress
Second Session

Memorial Service Program

Prelude, sacred selections (11: 30 to 12)
United States Navy Orchestra

Presiding officer----------The Speaker, Hon. Sam Rayburn

Invocation----------The Chaplain, Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D. D.

Quartet, Have Thine Own Way, Lord (Stebbins)
Hon. J. Frank Wilson
Hon. Prince Preston
Hon. Oren Harris
Hon. J. Percy Priest

At the piano----------Hon. Frances P. Bolton
Representative from the State of Ohio

Scripture reading and prayer----------The Chaplain

Roll of Deceased Members_The Clerk of the House of Representatives

Rose Ritual----------Hon. Reva Beck Bosone
Representative from the State of Utah

Devotional silence.

Address----------Hon. Omar Burleson
Representative from the State of Texas

Quartet, Beautiful River (Lowry)----------Congressional Quartet

Address----------Hon. Carl T. Curtis
Representative from the State of Nebraska

Taps----------Francis Stevens, musician, United States Navy

Echo----------Frank Tiffany, musician first class, United States Navy

Benediction----------The Chaplain

Reid Fred Murray

Memorial Services

WEDNESDAY, *May 14, 1952.*

The SPEAKER of the House of Representatives (Mr. Rayburn) presided.

The Chaplain, Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D. D.:

Almighty God, who has revealed Thyself as man's unfailing friend, his everpresent help and everlasting hope, we pray that in this hour of sacred memory we may enter into a blessed communion with Thy spirit and with the spirit of all who are dwelling in Thy nearer presence and upon whom Thou hast bestowed the benediction, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Hear us in Christ's name. Amen.

Hon. J. Frank Wilson, Hon. Prince Preston, Hon. Oren Harris, and Hon. J. Percy Priest sang Have Thine Own Way, Lord, by Stebbins.

Hon. Frances P. Bolton, a Representative from the State of Ohio, accompanied at the piano.

The CHAPLAIN. The Old Testament Scripture readings are selections from the Ninetieth and the One Hundred and Third Psalms:

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.

For He knoweth our frame; He remembereth that we are dust.

As for man, his days are as grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children.

To such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

The New Testament readings are taken from the fourteenth chapter of the Gospel according to St. John where we have these gracious words which come from the lips of our blessed Lord:

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

The following poem written by Nancy Byrd Turner is a beautiful commentary on the teachings of the Scriptures:

"Death is only an old door
Set in a garden wall;
On quiet hinges it gives at dusk,
When the thrushes call.

"Along the lintel are green leaves,
Beyond the light lies still;
Very weary and willing feet
Go over that sill.

"There is nothing to trouble any heart,
Nothing to hurt at all;
Death is only an old door
In a garden wall."

Let us pray:

Most merciful and gracious God, from whom our spirits have come and unto whom they return, we rejoice that through Thy holy word Thou hast spoken unto us.

We thank Thee that when earthly and human lights are extinguished by adversity and affliction, by sorrow and bereavement, then Thy divinely inspired word, which is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path, shines with a deeper and steadier glow and we are strengthened to carry on courageously and hopefully.

Grant that in our times of loneliness, when the struggle of life seems so difficult and the burdens so heavy, we may not turn our eyes upon the ground whence no help can come but may we turn them heavenward and unto Thee.

We praise Thee for the life and character of Thy servants who walked and worked with us for a little upon the earth and who are now with Thee in eternal blessedness, having received the reward of their faith and fidelity, even the salvation of their souls.

We have not said "farewell" unto them but only "good night," confident that some day, by Thy grace, we shall again dwell with them in hallowed union in that land whose language is music and where joys are unceasing.

We pray that, as we continue our earthly pilgrimage, we may live out each day in faith and in faithfulness, availing

ourselves of the companionship of our blessed Lord, who will abide with us throughout life and eternity.

Hear us in the name of the Christ our Saviour. Amen.

ROLL OF DECEASED MEMBERS

Mr. Lyle O. Snader, assistant reading clerk of the House of Representatives, read the following roll:

KENNETH SPICER WHERRY, a Senator from the State of Nebraska: Born February 28, 1892; graduated, University of Nebraska; attended Harvard University; served in United States Navy Flying Corps, 1917–18; admitted to the bar and practiced law in Pawnee City; member of the city council; mayor of Pawnee City; served in Nebraska State Senate; Republican State chairman, 1939–42; western director, Republican National Committee, 1941–42; elected to the United States Senate in 1942; reelected to the Senate in 1948; died November 29, 1951.

WILSON DARWIN GILLETTE, Fourteenth Congressional District of Pennsylvania: Born July 1, 1880; attended high school in Ulster; agricultural pursuits, merchandising, and automobile distributor; member of Pennsylvania State House of Representatives, 1930–41; Member of the Seventy-seventh Congress and each succeeding Congress until his death, August 7, 1951.

FRANK FELLOWS, Third Congressional District of Maine: Born November 7, 1889; attended public schools, the East Maine Conference Seminary at Bucksport, and the University of Maine at Orono; graduated from University of Maine Law School; admitted to the bar in 1911; clerk of the United States District Court of Maine, 1917–20; practiced law in Bangor; Member of the Seventy-seventh Congress and the five succeeding Congresses; died August 27, 1951.

ALBERT CLINTON VAUGHN, Eighth Congressional District of Pennsylvania: Born October 9, 1894; educated in public schools of Whitehall Township; graduate of Whitehall High School and Allentown Business College; veteran of First World War; member of American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars; secretary and sales representative; congressional secretary; Member of the Eighty-second Congress; died September 1, 1951.

KARL STEFAN, Third Congressional District of Nebraska: Born March 1, 1884; attended public schools in Omaha and YMCA night school; engaged successively as telegraph operator, news writer, reporter, city editor, and radio-news commentator; entered busi-

ness; served in telegraph division, Philippine Constabulary, 1904–06; private in Illinois National Guard; lieutenant in Nebraska National Guard; radio-code instructor, First World War; Member of the Seventy-fourth Congress and the eight succeeding Congresses; died October 2, 1951.

JOHN ALBERT WHITAKER, Second Congressional District of Kentucky: Born October 31, 1901; attended public schools, Bethel College at Russellville, and the University of Kentucky at Lexington; studied law; admitted to the bar in 1926 and commenced practice in Russellville; county attorney of Logan County, 1928–48; delegate to all State conventions since 1924; Member of the Eightieth Congress and the two succeeding Congresses; died December 15, 1951.

WILLIAM THOMAS BYRNE, Thirty-second Congressional District of New York: Born March 6, 1876; attended public schools; graduated from Albany Law School, Union College in 1904; admitted to the bar that year and commenced practice in Albany; member of the State senate, 1923–37; Member of the Seventy-fifth Congress and the seven succeeding Congresses; died January 27, 1952.

GEORGE BLAINE SCHWABE, First Congressional District of Oklahoma: Born in Missouri July 26, 1886; attended high school at Sedalia; graduated in law from the University of Missouri in 1910; practiced law at Nowata and Tulsa; mayor of Nowata, 1913–14; member of Nowata Board of Education for 5 years; member of Oklahoma State Legislature; chairman of Republican County Committee of Tulsa County; delegate to Republican National Convention, 1936; Member of the Seventy-ninth, Eightieth, and Eighty-second Congresses; died April 2, 1952.

REID FRED MURRAY, Seventh Congressional District of Wisconsin: Born October 16, 1887, in Ogdensburg, Wis.; attended public schools; graduate of College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin; agricultural agent for railroads in St. Paul, Minn., 1914–17, for Winnebago County, Wis., 1917–19, and for the First National Bank, Oshkosh, 1919–22; professor of animal husbandry, College of Agriculture, University of Wisconsin, 1922–27; owner, Waupaca Cattle Credit Co.; farmer; dealer in cattle and farms in Waupaca, 1927–39; Member of the Seventy-sixth Congress and the six succeeding Congresses; died April 29, 1952.

Hon. REVA BECK BOSONE, a Representative from the State of Utah, standing in front of the Speaker's rostrum and assisted by Page James Lee Shirley, placed a memorial

rose in a vase as the name of each deceased Member was read by the Clerk.

There followed a period of devotional silence, during which the Members stood.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas [Mr. Burleson].

Hon. OMAR BURLESON, a Representative from the State of Texas, delivered the following address:

Mr. BURLESON. Mr. Speaker, in these moments of reflection, dedicated to the memory of our departed colleagues, may the din of clamorous and clamant voices in our ears be hushed and may we hear the still small voice of the Eternal Spirit. May we lift our eyes to the eternal verities and be reminded by the pained absence of our beloved associates of former days, that time in this chaotic world is but for a fleeting instant and that soon we shall join them in that great and perfect democracy of death.

If the lives of those whose memory we honor on this occasion should not give us courage and inspiration, they would have failed. But they did not fail. Knowing each of them rather intimately, as we did, we saw their faithfulness, their devotion, and deep sincerity of purpose. With these virtues go unselfishness and humbleness.

Yes, of course, we remember the goodness—the inner worth of men and women—whose lives have touched us and whose influence remains fresh in our hearts and minds. Unlike Shakespeare's Mark Antony, we do not believe that "the evil men do lives after them—the good is oft interred with their bones." Faith in God and brotherly love teach us otherwise.

Often on the floor of this House, in the heat of debate, we may display temper, forces of argument, and demeanor we think necessary to the advantage of our point. Our words

sometimes carry a sting and may even become vehement, but, underneath it all, no group of men can be found anywhere on earth who has, as a body, a deeper sincerity to serve or a greater devotion to duty. Neither is there to be found greater humbleness, for we are forced to realize the tremendous responsibilities and the huge tasks constantly before us and that immeasurable trust and confidence has been placed in us. Surely, those who may have the greatest confidence in their own abilities must feel that wisdom alone is insufficient—that only by divine guidance can our beloved Nation be brought through the perilous shadows which hang over it.

To me, the vanities of man, his egotism and self-righteousness are about the greatest of all afflictions, and the antithesis to these consuming evils is humbleness and devoutness—these are the flowers in the garden of memory of our beloved colleagues.

No lovelier example of humble and devout service can be found than that portrayed by the Christ when, meeting with His disciples in the home of Mark, He washed His disciples' feet. You will recall that there was a warm and even heated argument in progress among the 12 as to whom should be the greatest in the kingdom. The concept of a heavenly kingdom had not settled upon them and they were contending with one another as to which of them would hold the more prominent position in what they believed to be an earthly organization. How understandably human? Into the midst of this argument, the Lord came, and, hearing it, He girded himself with a towel and washed the disciples' feet.

You will recall the custom—eating at the long, low tables—kneeling, or reclining upon their elbows. It was customary that they remove their shoes at the door and that they wash their feet before dining. The Christ entered the room and hearing dissension among his close friends, He poured water into a vessel, and took a towel and performed a lowly and humiliating service. He washed their feet. Can we hear

now the tinkle of the water in that basin as Jesus prepared to do this humble act? He did not rebuke them nor did He even explain their error of misconception. The Master did that for them which they were too proud to do for themselves in the presence of one another. They seemed to have a fear that such an act would reflect on their dignity. The vanity of man. But the Jesus took water and a towel and washed His disciples' feet.

Another beautiful story of humbleness and devoutness occurred in the village of Bethany where Simon, the leper, lived. And while he was close to the Master, as the scripture records, there came an unbidden guest. It was a woman. The only characterization we have of her is that she was a sinner, and beyond that, we know nothing.

What she was like, we do not know. We do not know what she wore, what her attitude appeared to be, nor the expression of her eyes. We do not know whether her voice was harsh or whether it was soft and melodious. The record simply says "she was a sinner."

She came to where the Master was visiting with the lepers. There were no press conferences, no press releases, no society columns and no speeches. The record simply says that she came.

How simple it all appears. She brought with her an alabaster box of precious ointment. She stood behind the Man of Galilee who was doubtless sitting or kneeling at his repast, as was the custom. It was the posture of humility. She washed His feet with her tears. She dried them with her tresses, and then from the alabaster box, she took the precious ointment and anointed Him. Today we would probably call the ointment perfume.

There was no conversation; there was no record; there were no remarks to be examined. We only have this simple and humble record of her ministration.

The disciples were there. The Holy Word says they were indignant, and we can all imagine that scene. We can particularly imagine Peter who must have been there frowning. You know he was such a sturdy, forthright, and practical soul. The anointing of the Master with precious ointment offended the practical sense of all the disciples. Quickly they translated it into an equation of their own. This ointment might be worth money, and the money could be used for alms and for charity, they said. How familiar these discussions are to us. We debate most every legislative day, in some form or other, fiscal and money matters of the Nation. We are constantly dealing with the great issues involved in the spending of these huge sums. We question methods; we examine the philosophies; we seek the practical; and many times we find it extremely difficult to be certain that we are right, even after we reach definite conclusions.

The Master must have listened to the argument, and then, with simplicity and logic, which is like majesty itself, He suddenly said, "Why trouble ye this woman? She hath wrought a good work upon me."

How simple, how compelling, and how persuasive that must have been. He simply said, "She hath wrought a good work upon me." A little later He said the things which have such an appeal on this memorial occasion. Very simply He said that what this woman hath done would be as a memorial unto her wherever the Gospel might be preached.

This is the unadorned story of a kindly deed—a very humble service—and there is the promise that it would be a memorial and would reecho down the corridors of time until the end of earth as a memorial to an obscure, unnamed woman.

As we think of our beloved colleagues on this occasion, we can imagine that they, too, brought with their endeavors in the Congress of the United States an alabaster box of precious ointment consisting of their devotion, their love, their af-

fection, and abiding desire to serve their Nation, their State, their district, and their fellow man.

They brought with them the perfume of humble service, and these are the things which will live to adorn and to enshrine their memories.

The speeches which we make so quickly die upon the vespers of the breeze. The votes on which we and they are recorded will soon be forgotten. It is the human and kindly little things which are unheralded and unacclaimed, which will long be remembered on the tablets of the mind and the heart.

These little things which seem unimportant to us in the hurly-burly of a controversial atmosphere, will long be remembered by many people who were the recipients of some deed—who were the benefactors of some service by these, our departed friends.

Their actions were so intensely objective because they were rendered to people, to us, to country, to humble folks who looked upon them as their liaison agents of the Government.

Mr. Speaker, as all of you will, of course, understand, so very many of the myriad duties which we perform do not draw the headlines nor do they receive immediate acclaim. We know that the greater part of our work is done behind scenes—in the committees, in the conferences, and in the office—which require long and tedious hours of effort. It is here that the real work of the Congress of the United States is performed. It is not all spotlight. It is not all in the forefront nor does it make good publicity, but it is that day-to-day routine of duty—over and over again—probing and trying to bring about the type of legislation which is beneficial to the people whom we represent and to the world in which we live.

Yes, there was objectivity about their services here, and it so well illustrates that simple but compelling sentiment which the Master uttered when he said, "She hath wrought a good

work upon me." And in humble service, may we hear again the pouring of water into the basin and in our imagination see the Lord Jesus washing the feet of His disciples.

These, our departed ones, wrought a good work upon us, upon their kinsmen, and upon their constituency, upon their country and the world. They wrought a good work, and it will be remembered.

What builds the Nation's pillars high
And its foundation strong?
What makes it mighty to defy
The foes that round it throng?

Not gold, but only men can make
A people great and strong—
Men who for truth and honor's sake,
Stand fast and suffer long—

Free men who work while others sleep
Who dare while others fly—
They build a Nation's pillars deep
And lift them to the sky.

Mr. Speaker, is it not possible that we, too, all of us, come here with an alabaster box of precious ointment, made up of the talents with which we have been endowed—the love we have for one another and our fellow men, the interest which we have in world affairs and the devotion which we entertain for this, our blessed country—to be used for the enhancement and progress of our Nation and the bringing of peace of mind and tranquillity of soul to a restless and troubled world?

This talent, if it be that, we can use, if we will, to soften the asperities and severities of life—to modify the hates with which we are often confronted, and to soften our own conduct, that it will be as a great spiritual wave and moral force for the Nation and for the world. As we use it freely and diligently, we cannot help but spill the precious and fragrant ointment of our own talents upon our colleagues and all those with whom we come in contact.

As we ponder and reflect upon the personalities of these, our beloved, who have gone to join the throngs of the immortal, may we emulate the best that was in them and use the best which is in us to the end that we may wisely guide the destinies of our Nation and that it may be said, to whatever degree deserving, "we have wrought a good work."

I'd like to think when life is done
That I had filled some needed post,
That here and there I'd paid my fare
With something more than idle talk and boast,
That I had taken gifts divine,
The breadth of life and manhood fine.
And tried to use them now and then
In good deeds toward my fellow men.
But I'd hate to think when life is through
That I had lived my round of years
A useless kind that leaves behind
No record in this vale of tears;
That I had wasted all my days
In treading only selfish ways.
And that the world would remain the same
If it had never known my name.
I'd like to think that here and there
When I am gone there shall remain
A happier spot that might have not
Existed had I lived only for gain;
That someone's cheery voice and smile
Shall prove that I have been worth while;
That I have paid with something fine
My debt to God for life divine.

Mr. Speaker, as we survey the contemporary scene, is there anything so important as a restoration of common purpose—of domestic tranquillity and peace in the world? All this we may do in the happy labor in the cause of an ideal which we call the American creed.

My friends, in this blessed communion with our own, in sweet remembrance, we lay upon their lingering personalities the memorial of the living to the dead.

The Congressional Quartet sang Beautiful River by Lowry, accompanied at the piano by Hon. Frances P. Bolton, a Representative from the State of Ohio.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Nebraska [Mr. Curtis].

Hon. CARL T. CURTIS, a Representative from the State of Nebraska, delivered the following address:

Mr. CURTIS of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, we are assembled in memory of our departed colleagues. They were noble men. They possessed good names that were better than precious oil. The good that they have done will live for all time. We pay tribute to them not because they need our praise; but because we need the inspiration derived from meditation upon their lives and achievements. Our lives are richer and have more meaning because of them.

It is said that these colleagues are dead. The question—if a man die will he live again has been asked down through the ages. Countless people have asked that question. The sages and philosophers have recorded their version of the query along with the answers made to it.

There has always been within man a hope, a longing, and a thirst for a life that would be endless. An examination of everything about us justifies that hope and that longing. The whole scheme of things in the universe tells us that that thirst for life will be satisfied.

To hold that life ends when death comes to the body is to deny the law of compensation and the law of balance. These laws cannot be fulfilled without a belief in a future life. Our contention that justice ultimately will be done and that all wrongs will be righted falls meaningless if death ends all.

We see injustice all about us. Evil men are enthroned and men love darkness rather than light. The good and the inno-

cent languish in prison and die without just rewards for their noble deeds. Evil doers oftentimes prosper without any obvious punishment. They have received their consolation. Honest individuals sometimes hunger without expectation of relief. Poverty and shame sometimes come to those who seem to least deserve it. Young men die in battle without having a chance to share the fruits of victory. Around the world little children die of neglect and starvation with no opportunity to grow to a productive maturity. Martyrs receive but persecution and death for championing a great cause without a knowledge of the ultimate triumph of their cause. Men are cast into concentration camps because they dare to speak or write the truth without assurance that the truth would eventually prevail. If death ends all, what compensation is there for all of these? These wrongs can only be righted in a future life. What reward is there for the martyred patriot or for the soldier of tender years who is cut down in battle if death ends all? Those who believe that justice will triumph and those who believe in an eternal balance know that life must go on. It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. It ends not. The hypothesis of immortality is the only explanation of man's troubles and the only solution to the mysteries of life.

An appreciation of nature teaches us that God, the creator, is the master architect, designer, builder, and artist. Man is His highest creation. Is it logical that God's rocks and waterfalls will last for ages but that His finest creation, man, should perish after threescore years and ten? Man, too, is a builder and an artist. Is it probable that man can build a cathedral that lasts for centuries but that man becomes nothing after a short span of life? The canvas that Raphael painted has endured for more than three centuries. Has God ordained that the canvas be preserved while the artist has fallen into dust?

It indeed would be folly to contend that man's creation would last longer than God's finest creation.

The early men who roamed the earth and dwelt in caves, too, asked the question—If a man die shall he live again? They saw the plant life about them live and grow and die. They observed the short span of life for the animals. Death and disintegration seemed to be the order of things. As the early warrior fell to the earth the victim of either his enemy or of some mysterious malady, fear and doubt said to him—this is all; this is the end.

Early man had for his only answer to the meaning of death a hope, a longing and a thirst for life that he could not explain. As time went on wisdom and reason justified that hope. We, whose presence on this earth has been in the latter ages, have been blessed with a knowledge and a faith that have been revealed to man by God himself.

I would mention three pinnacles that stand out in the knowledge that has been imparted to man by God, and upon which our faith is built. About 25 or more centuries ago, Job pointed out the position of man and God when he uttered that profound inquiry, "What is man that Thou does magnify him?"

We are heirs to a faith that teaches that man is different from the trees and the animals that inhabit the jungles. Man is created in the image of God. The individual is of great value. He has a function to perform in the scheme of things. Man is a spiritual being and life eternal may be his. It is the gift of God.

About the time of Job the Psalmist reached another pinnacle in explaining the mysteries of life and death when he said:

> Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: For Thou art with me.

The highest pinnacle of revelation of God's wonderful plans was proclaimed by Him who was heralded by a voice out of heaven saying, "This is my beloved Son." The Son of God said: "In my Father's house are many mansions." Before these revelations man could but hope—now he knew. Knowledge and assurances are the foundations of our faith. Our doctrines are not the precepts of men.

In every age doubts will arise, and man will be prone to ask, "How can these things be?" That question is answered by millions who live by faith. The man who perhaps possessed one of the most brilliant minds that ever took part in the deliberations of the House of Representatives and the Senate spoke out on this. As death was drawing near, Daniel Webster wrote:

> Philosophical argument, especially that drawn from the vastness of the universe, in comparison with the apparent insignificance of the globe, has sometimes shaken my reason for the faith that is in me; but my heart has always assured and reassured me that the Gospel of Jesus Christ must be Divine Reality. The Sermon on the Mount cannot be mere human production. This belief enters into the very depth of my conscience. The whole history of man proves it.

This is our Father's world. The sacred scriptures begin with the revelation of the truth that in the beginning God created heaven and earth and man. America's first charter of liberty, the Declaration of Independence, declares that we hold the truth to be self-evident that all men were created.

Man was created for a purpose. Man lives for a purpose. Those whose memory we revere today have but taken an advanced position in the infinite plan and purpose of God; unto an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away.

May I say that you here today are not alone. We walk by faith. More than 600,000,000 people around the world, in addition to the millions who have gone before, cling to a common creed that begins with the stirring words, I believe in

God: That creed goes on enumerating the pillars of our belief. The climax of the creed is the best. The crescendo of this declaration of the faith of the millions is—I believe in the life everlasting.

Francis Stevens, musician, United States Navy, sounded taps, the echo being sounded by Frank Tiffany, musician first class, United States Navy.

The Chaplain pronounced the following benediction:

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift upon you the light of His countenance and give you peace.

Amen.

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to the provisions of House Resolution 543, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the Chair declares the House adjourned until 11 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 58 minutes p. m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, May 15, 1952, at 11 o'clock a. m.

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Remarks by Representative Sabath

Of Illinois

Mr. SABATH. Mr. Speaker, the dread messenger of death has again visited our Chamber, and summoned to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns, another of nature's noblemen, the Honorable REID F. MURRAY. In the passing of this outstanding legislator the Nation suffers a real loss, especially the agricultural interests and the Congress. It is not an exaggeration to say that Mr. MURRAY ranked with the late Representatives Haugen and Fulmer, Marvin Jones, Mr. Hope, Mr. Flanagan, and the late Senators McNary and Edward Smith as an authority on the subject of agriculture, to the study of which he devoted practically all his adult life as teacher, practical farmer, agricultural representative of a large railroad, and State agricultural counselor. Indeed, his knowledge of this important subject was encyclopedic. One might at first think this good man would have confined his work in this field to matters affecting his own State of Wisconsin, but that was not true. In fact, he did not confine his broad and penetrating study of the subject to the United States, but studied and well understood world agriculture and how it affected our own country.

And one might think that one who devoted himself so attentively to agricultural affairs would have little time for study of other important national questions, but that was not true of Mr. MURRAY, who was always in attendance on the sessions of the House, making a helpful contribution, when it was considering other than routine business.

Mr. MURRAY, as I learn, was reared in rather humble circumstances. It might at first seem that the circumstances were disadvantageous. But were they? Were they disadvantageous to a man of the character, the intelligence, the determination, and the good fellowship possessed by REID MURRAY? I very much doubt that they were. The circumstances that crush some men and hold them to a position of mediocrity are the very circumstances which develop strong characters and make of them, as has been said here recently, men's men. I believe that in the environment which was his, overcoming the difficulties with which he was surrounded, developed his character to an extent that it would not have been had he been born with a silver spoon in his mouth.

Mr. MURRAY was not only a man of great native ability; he was a diplomat, he was a politician, he was a proved statesman, and, above all, he was a warm-hearted human being. I venture to say that if everyone for whom he did some loving sacrifice were to bring a blossom to his grave he would sleep tonight beneath a wilderness of flowers. While we know many of the good deeds he has performed, yet he was a man that did not advertise his charities, and we shall never know all the good he did.

Our late friend was such a man that anybody who knew him would warm to because he was a warm-hearted individual. His sympathies and compassions for those less gifted seemed to be as boundless as the ocean, and I know they went out to everybody in distress or in need of a friend.

I am pleased to pay my respect and my regard to a man, to a sterling character, sterling in honor and graciousness. My respect goes out to him as a Member of this honorable body, to a legislator of merited renown, to a wonderful husband and a loving father, to an able servant of the great Republic which he loved so fervently and which requited that love, to a selfless benefactor of mankind.

REID FRED MURRAY

Together with you, Mr. Speaker, and Members of this honorable body, I join in sorrow and sadness with the sorely bereaved widow and the lovely children who need much strength to bear the loss which only they and none other can feel.

May we who remain be worthy of the tradition of his selfless leadership; may we carry on in the same enlightened spirit in which he so ably led; and may we view his passing, as the poet has told us, as but a going ahead in the journey which all mortals must take.

Remarks by Representative Reed

Of New York

Mr. REED of New York. Mr. Speaker, there recently passed from our midst a colleague whose character, abilities, and services won our profound respect. I refer to Hon. REID F. MURRAY, of Wisconsin, a remarkable legislator, especially in the field of agriculture; a powerful debater; a man of deep convictions; and, above all, he was a stalwart statesman and a true American.

I deplore the passing of my friend and colleague, for whom I have a deep affection.

There is one solace that comes to all of us in the dark hours of grief, and that is that God knows best.

I extend to Mrs. Murray and each member of the family my deep sympathy in this time of great bereavement.

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TUESDAY, *April 29, 1952.*

The Chaplain, Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D. D., offered the following prayer:

O Thou God of all majesty and mercy, with gratitude and gladness we are again turning unto Thee in the sacred attitude of prayer, for Thou art acquainted with our many needs.

Thou alone canst answer the difficult questions which haunt our minds and satisfy the wistful longings which stir our hearts.

We rejoice that Thou art always willing to share with us Thy divine wisdom and to show us the way out of the darkness and confusion and frustrations in which we so often find ourselves.

Give us the glad assurance that the day of prediction is dawning when every need shall be supplied and peace and freedom will be the blessings of men everywhere.

We thank Thee for the life and character of Thy servant whom Thou hast called to dwell with Thee in eternal blessedness. Wilt Thou grant unto the members of his bereaved family the consolation of Thy grace.

In Christ's name we offer our prayers. Amen.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, it becomes my sad duty this morning to announce the passing of our good friend and colleague, REID MURRAY, of Wisconsin. The rather sudden passing of Mr. MURRAY, who had been ill for quite a while, came at a time when we had every reason to believe that he was well on the road to recovery. As a matter of fact, he himself had every confidence in his recovery and was about to make an announcement that he would be a candidate for reelection in his district.

Now he has passed on to his great reward. It seems rather strange that he should follow within just a few months the passing of his very good friend, Frank Keefe, both of whom came to the Congress at the same time and while here were very close friends. My first contact with our departed colleague came at 2 o'clock in the morning on the day that I had been elected to serve out a special term in this body. He was the first one to call me long distance to congratulate me.

Since my contact with him in this body, I have come to respect him for his very great ability in the field that he loved so well, that of agriculture. I dare say that no man in this body was as well equipped to serve his country and his State in that field than was REID MURRAY. He veritably lived in terms of agriculture, in terms of the good that he could do for the farmers of this country. Agricultural America will miss him because he was an ardent advocate of every problem that confronted the agricultural interests of this country.

We all know of his great service in this body, so I will not dwell on it. I know that his passing leaves a void in his district and in the State that he has served so long and so well. The loss to his family, of course, is immeasurable. We know that when such an event occurs within our respective families, that we just cannot estimate that loss. My sympathy goes out to Mrs. Murray and the children. Mrs. Smith joins me in this expression of our sincere condolences.

Mr. Speaker, REID MURRAY'S patriotism and loyalty to his country are not excelled in this great House; his intense interest in the welfare of rural America is known to every Member here. His passing is a distinct loss to all his Wisconsin colleagues. He will be missed in his district. Wisconsin loses a great public servant, one who served his constituents with ability and distinction. His passing is a personal loss to me. May he now be at peace in the arms of his Maker.

Mr. Speaker, I am asked to announce that our colleague is at the Lee Funeral Home, and his body may be seen Wednesday at 10 o'clock in the morning. There is some uncertainty as to the time of burial because of a son who is presently in the armed services in the Philippines.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the minority leader, the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. Martin].

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, death has claimed one of our ablest and best-known colleagues. REID MURRAY was a lovable and strong personality. His ready wit, his grasp of congressional problems, and his rugged loyalty to his friends won for him a host of admirers.

He has been missed for some months from the floor. At times it appeared a hopeless battle he was waging, but only a few weeks ago he made rapid recovery, and there were strong hopes he could resume the work he loved. A relapse came and with it death.

REID MURRAY was a student of agriculture. For years the problem of the farmer was his problem, and he worked with zeal and energy to improve the life of the farmer. No one in the House had a better knowledge of agriculture needs, and he used that knowledge with all his heart for the benefit of the farmers and particularly the Wisconsin dairymen.

It was my privilege to know REID MURRAY from the day he first came to Congress and to enjoy his warm comradeship. I have lost a loyal friend, the State of Wisconsin a splendid legislator, and the Nation a devoted public servant.

To his good wife and family I extend my deepest sympathy in this dark hour of bereavement.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the majority leader, the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. McCormack].

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I am very, very sorry to hear of the death of our dear friend and late colleague, REID MURRAY; a man, as my distinguished friend from Massachu-

setts [Mr. Martin] well said, of strong character, of a lovable disposition, a man who represented with ability and courage the people of his district and who was always a strong advocate of the cause of agriculture. I can see him now, on the many occasions when agricultural legislation was pending in this body, and under consideration by this body, whether authorization legislation or appropriations relating to agriculture, making his telling and convincing speeches in the well of the House in support of agriculture, and particularly in support of the dairy interests, which interests have such a powerful economic influence and are of great value to the State of Wisconsin.

We all missed him during his long period of illness.

The best evidence of his indomitable will power is the determination with which he fought his illness over a long period of time and made what we thought was a miraculous comeback in health. Like my colleagues, I was looking forward to his return to the House and his active participation here again as a Member. The sudden relapse that took place resulting in his death stuns all of us.

We shall miss REID MURRAY, a valuable Member of the House, a kind gentleman. To the Wisconsin delegation and the people of his district I extend my sympathy, as well as to the people of the State of Wisconsin. To the loved ones that REID MURRAY left behind him I extend my profound sympathy.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. Davis].

Mr. DAVIS of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, in the death of REID F. MURRAY all of us today lost a friend; the State of Wisconsin lost one of the most conscientious Representatives ever to serve in Congress from the Badger State. The cause of agriculture in America has lost one of its greatest advocates. His passing came as a shock to all of us, for we felt that he finally was winning his long battle to regain his

health, and we were looking forward to his return to active participation and leadership in legislative deliberations.

REID MURRAY was a big man, physically, mentally, and spiritually. And perhaps because he was big he was deeply interested in the little man. The cause of the small farmer, the marginal farmer, was his cause. His chief concern was the man who through circumstances beyond his control needed help and guidance. Coming from a district that is predominantly agricultural and with his background of experience and training in agriculture, he was Wisconsin's spokesman on farm questions and the man to whom all Wisconsin Congressmen and a great many of his colleagues from other States looked for advice and leadership on agricultural matters.

That he was beloved in his district and recognized for his ability at home was well demonstrated in 1950. Since his health prevented him from making his usual active campaign, REID MURRAY's friends rallied to his support and rolled up a 34,000 margin of victory for him in the last election.

Even in illness these past 2 years, REID MURRAY had not been inactive. From his home or his hospital bed he continued to keep in touch with his office and with his constituents. It was typical of the way he had served his people from the first. Because of his background as a farmer, as a professor of animal husbandry in the University of Wisconsin's extension division, and as an agricultural agent, he was a natural choice for membership on the House Agriculture Committee when he first came here after his initial election in 1938.

From the first, he was an active, aggressive member of that committee. For most of that time, he was a member of the minority, but his was a major influence in legislation beneficial to American farmers. In committee argument or on the House floor, he debated principles and not personalities. He always came to debate well buttressed with carefully compiled statistics. He was a virtual walking encyclo-

pedia of agricultural facts. When he spoke, his words carried authority, and he never was wanting for ideas. After the issue was decided, his arguments had left no bitterness.

REID F. MURRAY was a true representative of his district. Within the last few weeks I had occasion to be in his district; I know full well of the esteem in which he was held at home, and the hopes that his friends had for his ultimate recovery. The members of his family are entitled to our deepest sympathy in their loss. He will be greatly missed by all of us who knew him as a colleague and as a friend.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. Byrnes].

Mr. BYRNES. Mr. Speaker, I am sure all Members of the House extend their sympathy today to the family of our colleague, REID MURRAY, who has just passed away. There is probably very little consolation that can be offered to a family in bereavement at a time like this, but it may be of some little consequence for them to know at least that they are joined in their grief by many people in this country. The people of the State of Wisconsin are especially in grief today over this loss.

As has been stated, REID was a most friendly individual, a conscientious individual. Second only to his concern over the welfare of his family was his concern over the welfare of agriculture, particularly the welfare of the Wisconsin dairy farmer. They have lost in REID's passing a great friend whom it will be difficult to replace either in the State of Wisconsin or in the Nation's Capital.

I got to know REID MURRAY very well. When I first came to Congress we had adjoining offices. From that experience I learned to lean upon REID MURRAY for advice and counsel, and he was always free in giving that advice and counsel no matter how busy he might be on other matters.

Mr. Speaker, I have lost a real and valued friend by the passing of REID MURRAY. I shall long remember his many

kindnesses to me, and the much good that he has accomplished for Wisconsin as a State and particularly for our great agricultural industry.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. Withrow].

Mr. WITHROW. Mr. Speaker, I wish to join in these expressions of sympathy and tribute to our late colleague, REID F. MURRAY, of Wisconsin.

One by one, the Members of the House of Representatives pass on. This morning when I was informed that the House of Representatives had lost another Member, my good friend and colleague, REID F. MURRAY, I was very much shocked and grieved.

Congressman MURRAY, or REID, as his many friends called him, was one of the most friendly and helpful Members of the House I have had the pleasure and honor of being associated with. His willingness and readiness to share his experience with a new Member was a bright spot and a commendable part of his activities here on the Hill. Congressman MURRAY was an excellent example for a new Member. He very modestly assumed the responsibilities of membership in this honorable body. The careful attention, effort, and thought which he gave to all matters coming before the House during his years of service has produced a record of which any Member could well be proud.

In his untimely passing, after a long and serious illness, the House has lost a valuable Member. The Nation has lost a loyal citizen. His home State has lost a capable public servant. His family has lost a devoted husband and father. I extend my deepest sympathy to the family in their bereavement and irreparable loss. To me, his going leaves a deep sense of personal loss, for I have lost an appreciated friend.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Minnesota [Mr. August H. Andresen].

Mr. AUGUST H. ANDRESEN. Mr. Speaker, the passing of my good and lovable friend and colleague, REID MURRAY, of Wisconsin, brings deep sadness to my heart, and I know that all of my colleagues in the House of Representatives join with me in expressing our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Murray and members of her family.

I had the privilege and pleasure of becoming intimately acquainted with Representative MURRAY during his years of service in the House of Representatives as the Representative from the Seventh Congressional District of Wisconsin. From the time of his election to the Seventy-sixth Congress, he served with me on the Committee on Agriculture, and I worked with him daily on the many problems confronting America's basic industry. His work in behalf of American agriculture will stand as a monument to his untiring effort to provide equality of economic opportunity for American farmers.

By education and lifelong experience, Representative MURRAY was particularly qualified to be extremely active in securing proper economic policies for the dairy farmers of this country. He understood the problems of the dairy farmers, and many of his constructive ideas have been written into permanent law. Prior to his illness he was one of the most active men on the Committee on Agriculture. His passing will be a loss to our committee and to the Congress.

REID MURRAY was a lovable character. We all called him by his first name, "REID." He was beloved by his colleagues and his friends and constituents in the Seventh District of Wisconsin. We have lost a valuable Member of the House, and the people of Wisconsin and the Nation have lost an outstanding American who gave his life as a Member of this body for his fellow countrymen. We will miss our friend REID.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. Cooley], chairman of the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives.

Mr. COOLEY. Mr. Speaker, as we go placidly amid the noise and the haste of the world in which we live, may we remember what peace there is in silence. We pause in solemn silence in the presence of death to pay a brief tribute to one who has labored with us here.

Wonderful and mysterious are the vicissitudes of life; frail and precarious are our best holds upon human happiness. Today we may move in the joys of friendship which we have cherished, but tomorrow we must gracefully surrender all of the earthly blessings we have enjoyed. Many of our fears are born of fatigue and loneliness, but the greatest of our fears is of the unknown world which lies across the crystal sea, for we can pierce the veil only with faith.

I am certain that our beloved friend will approach the grave like one who "wraps the draperies of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams." REID MURRAY nurtured the strength of spirit which shielded him in all misfortune and a godly faith which put away the fears of death. In all the noisy confusion of life he kept peace in his soul. He loved life; he adored his family; he loved his friends; and he labored in the gardens of his God. If he had sorrow, he covered it with cheerfulness. If he had broken dreams, he covered them with a smile. He was a distinguished member of the Committee on Agriculture. He was a gentleman and a statesman and, while his feet were always planted on the solid earth, his head and his thoughts were always above the clouds.

My associations with REID MURRAY will always be a pleasant memory. Wisconsin has lost a beloved son; America has lost a great citizen; and I have lost a good friend. My tenderest thoughts and sincerest sympathies will be with his loved ones. May God give them strength to bear their great sorrow, and may the blessed soul of REID MURRAY rest in peace.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. Chatham].

Mr. CHATHAM. Mr. Speaker, for several weeks last year I had an adjoining room with REID MURRAY at the naval hospital and came to know him more intimately than I would have under normal conditions. He was an able and devoted public servant and always had the welfare of his State and Nation in his mind.

He knew more about the dairy business than any man I ever saw and his love for fine animals was indicative of his character—gentle, kindly, tolerant, and frank.

We have lost a fine colleague. His State has lost an outstanding Representative and the Nation is poorer for his passing.

I want to extend my sympathy to his wife and children and say to them that he has left them a priceless heritage—a good name.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Iowa [Mr. Hoeven].

Mr. HOEVEN. Mr. Speaker, the passing of REID MURRAY was not unexpected. He had been in failing health for many months. During the entire period of his illness he was an optimist. He wanted to get back to his active pursuits as a Member of the House of Representatives to the very last. Such faith and such perseverance under great physical handicaps is most commendable.

REID MURRAY was a valuable member of our Committee on Agriculture. His rich background as a professor of animal husbandry at the University of Wisconsin, as agricultural agent of the Northern Pacific Railway Co., and as agricultural agent of the First National Bank of Oshkosh, Wis., gave him a keen insight in all matters of legislation which came before our committee. He was considered as our authority on all matters pertaining to the dairying industry. I like to call him our "butter and egg man." A life-sized replica of a dairy cow he called Rosie had a prominent place in his congressional office.

REID MURRAY was a great man. He believed in the free-enterprise system. He loved his country and its people, and his compassionate heart was full to overflowing for the undernourished, the underprivileged, and the "under dog." I enjoyed his ready wit and often sought his advice when confronted with problems affecting the welfare of agriculture in our respective States. He always seemed to have the answers to my many questions.

In the passing of REID MURRAY I mourn the loss of a trusted and devoted friend; American agriculture has lost one of its greatest advocates, and the State of Wisconsin and the Nation have lost a loyal and distinguished citizen.

Mrs. Hoeven joins me in extending our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Murray and all members of the family. I am sure that in this tribute, I also express the sentiments of the other Members of the Iowa delegation.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. Zablocki].

Mr. ZABLOCKI. Mr. Speaker, it was with profound sorrow that I learned this morning of the passing away of our friend and colleague from Wisconsin, the late Hon. REID MURRAY.

I know that the news of his death must have been equally distressing and unexpected to all who knew him. Although we were aware of the fact that he has been ailing for some time, he appeared to have recovered recently, and returned to the district full of spirit and anticipation of continued public service. His Maker, however, had other plans, and called him to His side.

In his passing away, the State of Wisconsin and this House have lost an experienced Member, whose lengthy service has earned him the respect of the people whom he represented, and of the colleagues with whom he worked.

Although I knew him but a short time, I was impressed by his sincerity and devotion to his duties and by the sound

judgment which he frequently displayed in his approach to legislative matters on this floor. On the occasions that I sought his advice, particularly on agriculture legislation, he was always helpful, frank, and sincere.

I join with my colleagues in paying tribute to his memory and wish to extend my sincere sympathy to his family in their sorrow.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. Brown].

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, while all of us here knew that REID MURRAY had been ill for many months, news of his death came as a distinct shock.

REID MURRAY was one of the 81 new Members of the House who came to Congress in January of 1939. We formed an informal club of our own—the Seventy-sixth Club we called it—and as a member of that group I learned to know REID MURRAY intimately and well. He was a man of sterling character and great integrity. He was also a man of geniality and unusual wit.

He was one of America's outstanding authorities on agriculture. He was a friend of the farmer, and especially of the little farmer. He understood the problems of our American farmers as few legislators did, and I was one of the many in the House who followed REID MURRAY'S leadership on matters which affected agriculture.

REID MURRAY never did a small or little thing in his life. He was not only big of body but also big of heart and soul.

In his passing we have lost a very able Member of this Congress and a great American. We have also lost a true and wonderful friend.

To his family and to his constituents I extend my most sincere sympathy.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Colorado [Mr. Hill].

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, I wish to extend my sympathy to Mrs. Reid Murray and the children in the passing of Congressman REID MURRAY. He was my friend, a very close associate, and a member of the committee on which I serve, the Committee on Agriculture.

Congressman MURRAY was a very valuable Member of this House. He was especially well posted and technically trained in agriculture. It was a pleasure to visit with him and to absorb the fine statements he made and understanding he had of our agricultural problems, issues, and programs. Congressman MURRAY ranked at the very top of those who understood the complicated and difficult agricultural economic issues. Few men that I have known have been able to comprehend the complexities and ramifications of agriculture in our economic life as did Congressman REID MURRAY.

This morning it was with a distinct feeling of personal loss that I received the message of Congressman MURRAY's death. This House can ill afford to lose such a valuable Member, and my heart is heavy at his passing. May a Divine Providence greet his soul with the welcome it deserves. His was a great life—a valuable citizen—a useful Member of this House. We shall miss him greatly.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to one of Mr. MURRAY's very close personal friends, the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. Clevenger].

Mr. CLEVENGER. Mr. Speaker, I, too, have a sense of keen personal loss at the passing of REID MURRAY. For a number of years he was a seat mate of mine on the Committee on Agriculture. I knew him at home; I visited his farms where he has planted thousands of trees that were to be grown for his son near his home in Wisconsin.

He never guessed at agricultural problems as a member of our committee; he knew them. He was a college-trained man, but with it he had all of that great common sense and

experience that comes with practical agriculture on a family-sized farm. REID MURRAY never worried so much about the big fellow who was organized to take care of himself. He was no demagog, though, when it came to being the friend of a family-sized farmer.

He was so unusually kind; he never intentionally hurt anyone, as all of you who have served with him on the floor of this House know. He was one of that group who came here, as the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. Brown] said, with some 81 of us in the Seventy-sixth Congress. Wisconsin sent along five unusually strong men that year. They have all been taken from us in the last 2 or 3 years. But all of them made their mark in their respective and individual places on the committees of the House and the work of this Congress. No one will be missed more than REID MURRAY because, after all, a man who really knows his subject, who really can assist people, and help in preparing decent legislation to formulate suggestions in the completed actions is rather rare, indeed.

REID MURRAY worked hard, as did all members of that committee. It was not a partisan committee, of course. He as well as the other members of that committee worked extremely hard to restore sanity to the financial picture for the farmer. We had 17 or 18 agencies when REID MURRAY and I came here to get the farmers into debt. All of us worked to find some way to get them out of debt.

I shall always be proud of the association I had with the members on both sides of that committee who poured their very lives and energies into the problem of doing something to enable these people to help themselves. REID MURRAY'S work is not lost. American agriculture is in a great deal better shape for his having lived and having been here. Of course, I, too, pass along my consolation and sympathy to his family, a very fine family all of them, and it is on the home grounds that I know his neighbors and I know how they loved him. I tell you his loss will be keenly felt in that part

of Wisconsin from which he came, and the Nation, too, when they miss his sage advice.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. O'Konski].

Mr. O'KONSKI. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep regret that I learned this morning of the passing of my good friend and neighbor the Honorable REID F. MURRAY. In his passing the world has lost a true statesmen in every sense of the word. The Nation has lost an honest and honorable Representative in the United States Congress. The State of Wisconsin has lost one of its hard-working, faithful, and devoted public servants. Figures seldom lie, and if one wanted to know the high repute in which the Honorable REID F. MURRAY was held by his people, all one would have to do is merely look at the election statistics. In the seven terms that he was elected as a Representative in this honorable body he was always elected with the highest majorities of any Members ever serving the great State of Wisconsin. That in itself is a record of confidence and achievement as far as the people of his district are concerned which, in my judgment, is the best test of the qualifications and the conduct of a man who represents a constituency in this honorable body.

It is true that his great interest was agriculture because that was his field. That was the field of endeavor for which REID F. MURRAY was trained and he felt obligated to lead in the field in which he was best qualified. But he never gave a deaf ear, he never refrained from taking part in activities which were of benefit and which meant the security of all segments of our society and all segments of our economy. The people as a whole were always uppermost in his heart and mind.

REID F. MURRAY was a man who lived by the Golden Rule at all times. He never violated the Golden Rule to my knowl-

edge. He lived by the Ten Commandments. I followed him, if I remember, two terms after he served here. I visited his office, and there I saw displayed proudly the American flag which he cherished and loved so dearly. I saw in a huge frame the Declaration of Independence and likewise an engraved picture of the Constitution of the United States of America, which he lived by so profoundly, and which he cherished so dearly. I saw in another frame a poem by the venerable Edwin Markham. He pointed out that poem to me and told me that was his goal in life. It struck me so deeply that I memorized that poem. I can still see REID MURRAY explaining to me that it expressed his mission in life. The words of that great poem go something like this:

We men on earth have here the stuff to make of this world a paradise.
We have far more than enough.
We need no ivory for the doors,
We need no marble for the floors,
We need no cedar for the beam to make of this world a god's immortal dream.
Here on the common paths of every day.
Here on the common human highway,
Here in this world we have all that the busy gods will take to build an Eden and all that the busy gods will take to build a new heaven,
Hence our only task sublime is to make of this world an eternity in our time.

That is the type of philosophy which the Honorable REID F. MURRAY served and lived by. I regret his passing, and I extend my deepest sympathy to the members of his family.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. McGregor].

Mr. McGREGOR. Mr. Speaker, I was deeply shocked this morning when I learned of the death of REID MURRAY. It has been my privilege for a number of years to live next door to the Murray family here in Washington. During that time I became very well acquainted with REID MURRAY. He was a

great American, a loving father, a devoted husband, and truly the friend of all people. He was clean, courageous, capable, and no one could ever question the honesty of his purpose, or the sincerity of his motive. He wore no man's collar and could not be bought or sold by any power on this earth. He was always ready to help those who needed the benefit of his wide experience and his good judgment.

Mrs. McGregor joins with me in extending to Mrs. Murray and her family our heartfelt sympathy and our prayers in this hour of their bereavement.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Washington [Mr. Horan].

Mr. HORAN. Mr. Speaker, I join my colleagues in their expression of sympathy to the family of REID F. MURRAY. He was one of the first Members of the House whom it was my privilege to know after I came here about 10 years ago, and he was always very willing to be of good counsel to me. I appreciated that. Early in his career he served in a capacity out in my area, and I can say with all honesty that there are few men in American agriculture who had as wide an acquaintance and as good a reputation as did he. His heritage is indeed the fact that he gave his life and his best to the improvement of that which is best in America.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Minnesota [Mr. H. Carl Andersen].

Mr. H. CARL ANDERSEN. Mr. Speaker, on an occasion of this kind one gropes for words to express his thoughts properly. In the passing of REID MURRAY the House has lost one of its outstanding Members and the country one of its outstanding legislators. I have lost a valued personal friend. He was a real gentleman and the kindest of fathers to his children.

REID MURRAY came to Congress when I did, back in 1939. We stood here in the well of the House together and took

our oaths of office for the first time. From that day on our friendship grew. Our common interest in the problems of agriculture drew us together in many a fight on this floor. I have missed his sage counsel during his long illness, and the farmers of the Nation will miss his ability to handle their problems for them. He did a wonderful job for his district, his State, and the Nation. He has now passed to the Great Beyond, but it is a source of comfort to those of us who are left to know that we were privileged to enjoy the friendship of a man who served his country so well. Mrs. Andersen and our sons join me in extending our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Murray and their children in their great loss.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Nebraska [Mr. Curtis].

Mr. CURTIS of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, we have lost a great and good man. I endorse everything that has been said about this kindly and faithful man, and extend to the family of Mr. REID MURRAY my most sincere sympathy.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Texas [Mr. Poage].

Mr. POAGE. Mr. Speaker, REID MURRAY was one of the finest men with whom I served on the Committee on Agriculture. As has been said, REID was a kindly man, a friendly man, one whose friendship was appreciated for what he was as an individual, one whom I was proud to call my personal friend.

But REID was an intelligent, able man, who represented his district with credit and ability. He was well informed, he had the answers, he knew the facts, he had the native ability to apply the knowledge he possessed and to come up with answers. REID was not only intelligent; he was a steadfast and brave man.

I have seen him under pressure, the like of which I have seen exerted on very few Members of this House. He stood steadfast and never wavered. I admired REID MURRAY as an

individual and as an official of this Government. As a friend, I have suffered a great personal loss. All of the citizens of the United States suffer a loss when they lose that kind of representation. May Mrs. Murray and her children know that she has the sympathy and the heartfelt, good wishes of her husband's colleagues in the House of Representatives.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Oklahoma [Mr. Albert].

Mr. ALBERT. Mr. Speaker, like all other members of the Committee on Agriculture who served with REID MURRAY, I feel a great personal loss. All who worked with him on that committee will testify that there was no more distinguished, hard working, or conscientious Member of the House than Mr. MURRAY. He attended every session of every committee and subcommittee to which he was assigned up until the very minute when his health completely failed him. As a matter of fact, he kept coming to committee meetings long after he was physically unable to be there. It has been said that he was a great expert on legislation in the field of dairy farming, and he was. His State and district depend upon that industry to a great degree. But REID MURRAY was never provincial in his legislative work. He was interested in all the problems, and thoroughly informed on all the problems of American agriculture in all sections of the country. Every page of every important piece of agricultural legislation on the statute books of this country bears his fingerprints. He was a kind and loving man, a Christian gentleman. I join all in grieving over his departure from us and in extending to his loved ones my deepest sympathy.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Kansas [Mr. Hope].

Mr. HOPE. Mr. Speaker, in the death of REID MURRAY I feel I have lost one of my dearest friends, and one of my closest associates in the Congress.

In the House of Representatives, it is necessary for all of us to specialize more or less, and REID MURRAY coming here as he did, from a great agricultural State and district, with a broad background of agricultural education and experience quickly became known as a leader in agricultural matters. He became a member of the Committee on Agriculture at the very beginning of his service and I count it a great privilege to have served with him on that committee during his entire time in Congress.

One thing that I like to remember about REID MURRAY and a thing which I will always remember was his approach to agricultural problems. He did not look on agriculture simply as an industry, or as an economic problem. He thought of agriculture in terms of the people living on the farms. He was most interested in the small farmers, people living on family-size farms who were likely to be in distress in times of economic trouble. He saw their problems as human problems and was ever ready to lend a hand in the enactment of legislation to help them.

REID MURRAY was a hard worker; no member of the Committee on Agriculture worked harder than he. No one was more diligent in his attendance at committee and subcommittee meetings. No one studied legislation more carefully or had more to contribute in information and experience than he. No one put up more of a fight for his principles and ideas than did REID MURRAY. Not a single piece of agricultural legislation has passed this House since he became a Member which does not in some way bear the imprint of REID MURRAY'S constructive thinking and influence.

But REID MURRAY'S work was not confined to agricultural legislation. I know of no Member who represented his district more effectively or efficiently than REID MURRAY. He was on the job all of the time.

REID MURRAY was a man with positive ideas and convictions. He was always ready to defend them. He was always

ready to challenge anyone who differed with him. But controversies with him were always in the realm of ideas. They did not get into the field of personalities. Always he was kindly and tolerant—a Christian gentleman in every sense of the word.

He was an ideal family man, a good husband, and kind father. He took great pride in his fine family. I extend to his wife and children my most sincere sympathy and wish for them God's richest blessing in this time of sorrow.

Above all, REID MURRAY was a Christian gentleman, a kindly person, a family man. I extend to his fine family my most sincere sympathy on this occasion.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Iowa [Mr. Gross].

Mr. GROSS. Mr. Speaker, the death of REID MURRAY, while not entirely unexpected due to his long and serious illness, leaves me with a feeling of real personal loss.

As a new Member of Congress in 1949, Mr. MURRAY was kind and considerate in his helpfulness to me, as I am sure he has been to other new Members of Congress who sought his counsel.

As has been stated previously here today, he was a man of firm conviction, who placed the welfare of his country and that of his constituents above every other consideration.

The farmers of the Nation, and particularly those of the Midwest, have lost a constant friend. Congress has lost an outstanding Member.

I join with my colleagues in paying my respects to a departed friend and extending condolences to the members of his family.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Utah [Mr. Granger].

Mr. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I want to extend my sympathy and regrets to REID MURRAY'S wife and family.

REID was a personal friend of mine. When I saw the flag at half-mast this morning, while it may have been any of us, I was sure that the flag was at half-mast for my dear friend. I have kept in close touch with his office. I have tried to keep up some correspondence with REID while he was in the hospital, and I regret it was not more, but in the last few days I have been informed that he was a very sick man.

When I first came here in the Seventy-second Congress, REID MURRAY was one of the first friends I made, and that friendship lasted during the entire time of our membership on the Committee on Agriculture.

There is nothing more I can add to what has been said about his vigilance in serving his country, his people, and his district. I never had the temerity to question any of the facts that REID MURRAY gave to this House as facts, because, check them as you would or doubt them as you might, you always found that REID had an answer. As has been said here before, this great country of ours, this great agricultural economy that we have, is better off today because of the activities of our colleague.

Not everything has been lost—his memory will live long in the pages of our national record, and I am sure in the hearts and minds of people who live on the farms of this great country.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Mississippi [Mr. Rankin].

Mr. RANKIN. Mr. Speaker, there is nothing I can add to what has already been said about our distinguished colleague, REID MURRAY; but I want to express to his bereaved family not only my own heartfelt sympathy but also that of Mrs. Rankin, who is a friend of Mrs. Murray.

I agree with what has been said about Mr. MURRAY'S friendship for and his devotion to the cause of the toiling farmers of America. When I heard that reference made to

the poem of Edwin Markham, I thought of another poem he wrote, in which he described the average American farmer of half a century ago, when he said:

> Bowed by the weight of centuries, he leans
> Upon his hoe and gazes on the ground,
> The emptiness of ages in his face,
> And on his back the burden of the world.

REID MURRAY never lost his devotion to those farmers, and I do not hesitate to say that within the last 20 years, and ever since Mr. MURRAY has been a Member of this House, more has been done to brighten the homes, lift the burdens of drudgery, inspire the hope, and stimulate the pride of the American farmers and their wives and children than has ever been done before in all the history of this country, and REID MURRAY has been one of the contributors to that end.

It is always a sad thing to me to look out and see the flag at half-mast. When I saw it this morning, I called up to find who had passed away. As I thought of the many Members whom I have seen depart from this House under similar conditions, I recalled the words of the poet Thomas Moore when he said:

> When I remember all the friends
> So linked together
> I have seen around me fall,
> Like leaves in wintry weather,
> I feel like one who treads alone
> 'Some banquet hall deserted,
> Whose lights are fled,
> Whose garlands dead,
> And all but he departed.

I feel that way this morning when I realize that one of the most popular men, one of the best men, one of the most conscientious men in this House has passed to the Great Beyond.

May God bless his sacred memory and shield and protect his bereaved loved ones who are left to mourn his loss.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. Crawford].

Mr. CRAWFORD. Mr. Speaker, may I add my voice to the great eulogies which have been paid to our friend and colleague? It was about 8 years ago, about this time of the year that I first learned of the failing physical powers of our friend. We were walking along the old canal up the Potomac River and he unfolded to me some of his difficulties. Before that walk through the quiet woods had finished, it was demonstrated that he was failing physically. Since that time on numerous occasions he and his little daughter have come to my place down the river here and have spent hours out there where we had a chance to visit and discuss our work here in the House, and where he had a chance to enjoy the quiet and solitude and somewhat improve his physical condition at least. In that way I had a chance to study the man, to better understand him and to get acquainted with him and members of his marvelous family.

I have no fear of the future of that family because they have great integrity, they are blessed with wisdom, courage, and good judgment, and while all of us extend our sympathies to them we who know them realize that they will make their way throughout the future years of their lifetime.

We shall miss REID MURRAY greatly. Everything that has been said here about him is true. I join with the others in extending our sympathy to his family.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Iowa [Mr. Jensen].

Mr. JENSEN. Mr. Speaker, it was my wife's and my privilege to live in the same hotel with REID MURRAY the first 2 years I was a Member of Congress. In those 2 years we learned to know him, his good wife, and family. We learned to know him as an upstanding gentleman of the highest order, a good husband, a good father, a patriot, and an able, conscientious legislator.

At that hotel during those 2 years there also lived his very dear friend, the late Frank Keefe and his good wife. I remember well how we would get together during the evenings and discuss various problems of Government. We all became fast friends. REID MURRAY and Frank Keefe were the warmest of friends and they derived great benefit from their association with each other. I can truthfully say that I also derived great benefit from associating and counseling with those two fine gentlemen and great Americans. When Frank Keefe, REID MURRAY's very dear friend, passed away not long ago it was a terrific shock to REID. He told me how much he missed his friend Frank. They were inseparable and without doubt it was the death of Frank Keefe which hastened the passing of our colleague, REID MURRAY.

I can still see REID MURRAY standing in the well of this House, the very spot where I now stand, addressing the House of Representatives, expounding his sound philosophies of government, stating facts and figures pertaining to agriculture especially, and to other phases of our economy and bills under consideration.

I always held REID in the highest esteem because he was a man of sterling character and genuine integrity. As has been said so many times today, when REID MURRAY spoke he gave facts and figures upon which we could depend.

I grieve with his fine family and his multitude of friends all over these United States. America can ill afford to lose such men as REID MURRAY who has just passed to the Great Beyond. I will have fond memories of the man, statesman, and patriot. REID MURRAY was indeed one of God's noblemen.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Minnesota [Mr. Judd].

Mr. JUDD. Mr. Speaker, I want to join with other Members in paying tribute to the memory of our departed colleague. When I first came to the Congress my office in the

Old House Office Building was right across the corridor from that of Frank Keefe, and adjoining his was that of REID MURRAY—those two distinguished, hard-working, and devoted Representatives from Wisconsin who so recently have been taken from us. Day after day when REID put on his overcoat and hat and started home he would drop into my office and say, "How are things going today; how is everybody in Minnesota? What problems are you having?" And he would sit down and visit with us 15 minutes or so. We enjoyed his humor and his friendliness and profited from his wisdom. No Member, when I came to the Congress, went out of his way more than REID MURRAY to make me feel welcome and give advice and help in the inevitable adjustments of a new Member of this body. There was no Representative more loyal than he to his State and its interests and particularly to its farmers and those of the whole country. He knew endless statistics about every crop, its costs, and market prices. He was resourceful and imaginative in dealing with the problems of the farmer. I know of no man who was a better servant of that great segment of our population, devoted to their genuine welfare, in terms of the total well-being of our country, than this fine man and public servant, whose passing is so great a loss to our House and to our country. I join in extending my sincere sympathy to his family.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished Speaker, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. Rayburn].

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I cannot let this hour pass without expressing the deep feeling of respect and friendship I had for REID MURRAY. He was ill for a long time. Whenever I would be in the vicinity of the hospital, I never failed, when I had the opportunity, to go in and have a short visit with REID. As has been so well said here today, he was interested in agriculture, and so am I. I think what we are

going to do about agriculture and this good earth that we live upon is probably our major domestic problem. I am interested in those things, and so was REID MURRAY. I knew his family. He did me the honor to present me to his lovely daughter. REID MURRAY loved his country, and he loved the people that populate it. He was a splendid public servant. He was, all in all, a good, kindly, fine American gentleman.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have five legislative days in which to extend their remarks on the passing of our late colleague at this point in the Record.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

Mr. VAN PELT. Mr. Speaker, I learned with deep regret today of the death of our distinguished colleague, REID F. MURRAY.

Recently I visited him at the Bethesda naval hospital and was pleased to find him in good spirits. He was looking forward to resuming his duties here in this Chamber, where he served so ably for so many years.

It was my privilege to know REID MURRAY before I came to the Congress. He was a former resident of the congressional district which I have the honor to represent. He began his career in my district, serving Winnebago County as its agricultural agent. Later he was agricultural agent for the First National Bank at Oshkosh. Subsequently he moved to adjoining Waupaca County, where he was elected to Congress in 1938. He worked so diligently for his constituency that he was reelected with practically no opposition to each of the succeeding Congresses. Here he was named to the important Committee on Agriculture.

REID MURRAY's judgment was sound on all problems confronting this Congress, but he was particularly expert in the

field of agricultural legislation. It was a tradition among members of the Wisconsin delegation to look to him for leadership and advice on farm legislation. We shall all miss him very much, both for his wise counsel and warm friendship.

To his devoted wife and splendid son and daughter I extend my deepest sympathy.

Mr. ARENDS. Mr. Speaker, another of our colleagues has answered the call to the great beyond. All of us had a great affection for REID MURRAY. He had those qualities that endeared people to him.

The district I am privileged to represent is predominantly agricultural. I frequently consulted with REID MURRAY on various agricultural problems. I do not know anyone who had a better understanding of the subject. It may be said he devoted his life for improving the lot of the farmer and agriculture generally.

He graduated from the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin. He became a professor of animal husbandry. For several years before coming to Congress he served as an agricultural agent. Upon taking his seat in Congress he continued to direct his efforts to agriculture, and played a conspicuous part in the work of the Committee on Agriculture.

I personally shall miss REID MURRAY, much more than I can express in words. I extend to his fine wife and family my deepest sympathy. I hope they will find some consolation in the knowledge that their loss is shared by a host of friends who admired, respected, and loved REID MURRAY.

Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. Speaker, it was with a sad heart that I heard of the death of our colleague, REID F. MURRAY. He was in a sense my Congressman, as he represented the Wisconsin district in which I was born and where I received my education up to and including my high-school training. My mother's only brother, Oscar Gunderson, was a great friend and admirer of REID MURRAY.

REID MURRAY was a devoted husband and father. My wife and I had the pleasure of being their neighbors for several years in Washington and we had many pleasant evenings together. To his family I extend my heartfelt sympathy. Our departed friend was undoubtedly the best informed man in Congress on problems affecting the milk, butter, and cheese industry. He was a prodigious worker for his constituents. He was constructive in his criticism because he was so thoroughly informed on the problems to which he addressed himself. He made no idle argument based on generalities. He knew the facts which is the basis for every good argument on a problem.

His children will all be successful. They have been properly trained at home. They need only pattern their lives after that of their father to be happy and successful citizens.

I have profited by my friendship with REID MURRAY. I cannot help but miss him, but I hope that my conduct as a Member of the House of Representatives will justify his friendship.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, it is difficult to realize that the lovable, hard-hitting, hard-working, fearless, and uncompromising REID MURRAY is no longer one of us. The farmer—particularly the dairy farmer—never had, and never will have, a more loyal and devoted friend. The Congress, the State of Wisconsin, and America have lost the type of legislator that cannot be replaced. My sincere and heartfelt sympathy goes out to his family.

Mr. O'HARA. Mr. Speaker, all of us who knew REID MURRAY are deeply saddened to learn of his death this morning. His death follows closely on that of his good friend and former colleague, the late Frank Keefe. The country has been enriched by the contributions which both of these men have made as Members of Congress.

When I first came to Congress my office was near that of Mr. MURRAY and it was our custom then to visit and discuss

our mutual problems. Our friendship ripened and my confidence in and respect for REID MURRAY increased over the years.

REID was a graduate of the College of Agriculture of the great University of Wisconsin. Later he served as a professor of animal husbandry in the extension service of that university.

In addition to that, practically his whole adult life before coming to Congress was in the scientific development of agriculture. He was, therefore, by training, education, and experience one of the outstanding men in the entire Congress on that subject. He was devoted to its development and when he spoke on any problem affecting that great industry, it was with authority.

REID could be said to have been one of the greatest students of the changing and adjusting needs of agriculture. It will be many years before any individual Member of Congress will fill or replace the talent, the industry, and the ability which he had.

REID MURRAY was a kindly man. Those of us who knew REID so well, admired him, not only for his talents, but for his goodness, his qualities as a husband and father, his love of country, and his innate good sense and judgment. I do not recall, either in any public utterance or private conversation, of him ever speaking unkindly or with harshness of any human being.

He was a great American and a great public official.

To him, there were standards of black and white, but there was always the charity in his heart of being quick to recognize human frailty.

Certainly, my life has been richer for having known and having been associated with REID MURRAY. I am sure that every one of my colleagues of the House feels the same way.

All of us have suffered a great loss in the death of REID MURRAY, and particularly to those who have suffered the

greatest loss—to his wife, to his sons, Reid, Jr., and Hyde, and to his daughter Kittie Ann—I extend my deepest sympathy.

Mr. REES of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I join with my colleagues in paying tribute to the memory of REID F. MURRAY. The passing of REID MURRAY is a distinct loss, not only to the great State of Wisconsin but to the Nation as well.

It could be said of REID MURRAY, "To know him was to love him." REID MURRAY was courteous. He was kind. He was conscientious. REID MURRAY had high respect for the responsibility he assumed as a Member of Congress. He devoted his time, energy, and effort on behalf of the people of his district, and he determined his vote and his influence in the House of Representatives on the basis of what he believed to be the best for his country.

REID MURRAY was a great citizen. He was a great American. He had those qualities that make up a real Christian gentleman.

The members of his family have our sympathy in their bereavement.

Here was a man whose heart was good,
Who walked with men and understood.
His was a voice that spoke to cheer
And fell like music on the ear.
His was a smile men loved to see,
His was a hand that asked no fee
For friendliness or kindness done.
And now that he has journeyed on,
His is a fame that never ends
And leaves behind uncounted friends.

Mr. LECOMPTE. Mr. Speaker, when the Seventy-sixth Congress convened on January 3, 1939, there were more than 100 new Members of the House. Of that number, there are today scarcely a third still serving in this great body. Many have retired, a few have gone over to the Senate, and the death angel, as in REID MURRAY'S case, has beckoned to a

number of others. Not in any succeeding Congress has there been as large a group as came in the Seventy-sixth—almost one-fourth of the entire House. This class was made up of fine, capable men and women on both sides of the aisle, and, considering them all, by and large, no one was more forthright and more courageous than REID MURRAY. He was strong in the essentials of good citizenship, a man of deep convictions, and courageous in the espousal of the ideas to which he gave his allegiance. Perhaps at some distant time research students, poring over the records, will study the part played by the men who entered the House in the Seventy-sixth Congress and some study will be made of their achievements in that and subsequent Congresses. We may be sure that this research will reveal that REID MURRAY occupied an important place in the record of accomplishments. We loved this man for his virtues and his everyday common sense. He was always a charming companion. In the early days of his illness I often visited him at the hospital, and I found that his interest in the House never wavered for a second. We will miss him in the days to come, but he leaves to his colleagues and his family a tender and hallowed memory.

Mr. WOLVERTON. Mr. Speaker, I am deeply touched by the announcement that our honored and distinguished colleague from Wisconsin, REID F. MURRAY, has passed from our midst into the Great Beyond.

It was my privilege to enjoy a friendly and close relationship with Mr. MURRAY during the entire time he served as a Representative in the Congress of the United States from the Seventh District of Wisconsin. This relationship has permitted me to know the fine spirit that dominated him in all his service to the people of his district and in the larger sense to our Nation and all its people. No one in my acquaintance in the House was more sincere nor had a greater desire to render helpful and worth-while service. Mr. MURRAY took

his duties at all times in a serious and conscientious manner; a great student of all subjects, especially those that related to agriculture, he possessed a fund of information that proved most helpful to all of his colleagues. His zeal and courage in advocating the principles and policies which he considered necessary to promote our national welfare was striking. His service to the congressional district he so faithfully represented for nearly 14 years and to his country was outstanding, distinguished, and of a high order. Memory of his fine jovial spirit, his sincerity and devotion will remain as an inspiration to all who knew him.

I extend to his wife and other members of his family, of whom he was very proud, my deep and sincere sympathy, and the hope they will find comfort in the knowledge that their loved one had the respect of all who knew him and was held in high esteem by a host of friends.

Mr. FISHER. Mr. Speaker, the late and lamented REID MURRAY was one of the truly great men who have served in the House of Representatives during the 10 years that I have been a Member of this body. I have never known a man here for whom I entertained higher respect than I did for our departed friend and colleague. He never lacked courage; he never lacked sympathy; he never lacked devotion to basic American principles.

REID MURRAY was devoted not only to problems which were peculiar to his own State and district, but he likewise turned a sympathetic ear to every worthy problem which needed attention. Many times I had occasion to talk with him about legislation pertaining to the wool and mohair industry. Although these were rather foreign to his own district, he was always intensely interested, always searching for facts and information, and always ready and willing to assist where the cause was just and right.

Our departed colleague was a statesman in the true sense of the word. He always put the welfare of the country first and above everything else he always put the preservation of

our American institutions ahead of party or expediency. His record in those respects will stand forever as a monument to his greatness.

His loss is an irreparable one not only to the surviving family but likewise to his State and to the entire Nation. To the bereaved family I extend my deepest sympathy.

Mr. SMITH of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 616).

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. REID F. MURRAY, a Representative from the State of Wisconsin.

Resolved, That a committee of nine Members of the House with such Members of the Senate as may be joined, be appointed to attend the funeral.

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying out the provision of these resolutions and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

The resolution was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints as members of the funeral committee Mr. Hull, Mr. Smith of Wisconsin, Mr. O'Konski, Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Davis of Wisconsin, Mr. Withrow, Mr. Zablocki, Mr. Kersten of Wisconsin, and Mr. Van Pelt.

The Clerk will report the remainder of the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect the House do now adjourn.

The resolution was agreed to.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 17 minutes p. m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 30, 1952, at 11 o'clock a. m.

REID FRED MURRAY

WEDNESDAY, *April 30, 1952.*

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Landers, its enrolling clerk, announced that the Senate had adopted the following resolution (S. Res. 312):

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow the announcement of the death of Hon. REID F. MURRAY, late a Representative from the State of Wisconsin.

Resolved, That a committee of two Senators be appointed by the President of the Senate to join the committee appointed on the part of the House of Representatives to attend the funeral of the deceased Representative.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the Senate do now adjourn until 12 o'clock noon on Thursday next.

Mr. ROONEY. Mr. Speaker, I was indeed shocked yesterday morning when I learned of the passing of our beloved colleague and my good friend Representative REID F. MURRAY, of Wisconsin.

Congressman MURRAY served continuously in this House since January 3, 1939. As a member of the House Committee on Agriculture he exerted considerable influence in championing the cause of the farmer and because of his previous training and educational background was a recognized leader in the field of agriculture.

REID'S office was next to mine in the New House Office Building and while I did not see him in recent months because of his prolonged illness, I recall many pleasant conversations with him prior thereto. I enjoyed REID MURRAY'S friendship and admired him for his sincerity and loyalty. He always treated me with the greatest kindness and I always thought of him as one of our elder statesmen whose exemplary life and devotion to the people of his congressional district and his native State of Wisconsin will long be remembered by this body.

We shall mourn his memory and must strive to follow his example and nobility of character.

I extend my deepest sympathy to his beloved wife and family. I am sure that our good Lord in His divine wisdom will comfort them in their great sorrow, positive that he is now in His care.

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TUESDAY, *April 29, 1952.*

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Snader, its assistant reading clerk, communicated to the Senate the intelligence of the death of Hon. REID F. MURRAY, late a Representative from the State of Wisconsin, and transmitted the resolutions of the House thereon.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair lays before the Senate a resolution coming over from the House of Representatives, which the clerk will read.

The Chief Clerk read the resolution (H. Res. 616), as follows:

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U. S.,
April 29, 1952.

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. REID F. MURRAY, a Representative from the State of Wisconsin.

Resolved, That a committee of nine Members of the House with such Members of the Senate as may be joined be appointed to attend the funeral.

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying out the provision of these resolutions and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That as a further respect the House do now adjourn.

Mr. WILEY. Mr. President, this morning, before I came to the office, the sad news of the passing of my associate in Congress, Representative REID F. MURRAY, of the Seventh District of Wisconsin, came to me over the telephone.

Mr. MURRAY became a Member of the House at the time I came to the Senate, in January 1939.

Of course, he has just preceded us on the journey we will all have to take.

He was a magnificent man. He had a fine sense of humor that buoyed everyone with whom he came in contact.

REID MURRAY was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin; in fact, he was a professor in the Agricultural College there.

Surviving him are his wife and three children—two boys and a daughter.

I feel a sense of personal loss because throughout the years we have been associated in many ways socially and, of course, in campaigns. But there was something more about REID that made him very dear. He was loyal. He was a statesman who understood agricultural problems probably better than anyone else in the Wisconsin delegation, indeed, better than anyone else in Congress. In the House, agriculture was his forte.

Mr. President, REID MURRAY had a faith in an expanding America. That is something of which to be proud. He recognized that we are a growing people and that we shall continue to grow. REID himself was constantly developing.

So in these brief words, we do not say good-by; we just say auf Wiedersehen, because perhaps that is what passing on means for all of us.

Mr. President, I send to the desk a resolution and ask that it be read and immediately considered.

The resolution (S. Res. 312) was read, as follows:

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Resolved, That a committee of two Senators be appointed by the President of the Senate to join the committee appointed on the part of the House of Representatives to attend the funeral of the deceased Representative.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the resolution offered by the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. Wiley].

The resolution was unanimously agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the second resolving clause, the Chair appoints the Senators from Wisconsin [Mr. Wiley and Mr. McCarthy] as the committee on the part of the Senate to attend the funeral of the late Representative MURRAY.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. President, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Representative MURRAY of Wisconsin, I move that the Senate adjourn until next Thursday, May 1, 1952, at 12 o'clock noon.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and (at 3 o'clock and 54 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until Thursday, May 1, 1952, at 12 o'clock meridian.

MONDAY, *May 26, 1952.*

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. President, I should like to read a resolution into the Record:

Whereas the late Hon. REID F. MURRAY, Congressman of the Seventh Wisconsin Congressional District, has this morning been called to his eternal reward; and

Whereas Waupaca County has been the home of Congressman MURRAY since his birth, whereby it has been honored by the outstanding leadership and representation Congressman MURRAY has given this district; and

Whereas Congressman MURRAY has at all times courageously championed the cause, the welfare, and the principles of the Republican Party in the interests of the farmer, the workingman, and to business management with equality and justice: Be it hereby

Resolved, That the members of the Republican Party for Waupaca County honor the name of Congressman MURRAY, and give tribute to the outstanding services he has given to this district and State; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be mailed to his bereaved widow and family, and to the Wisconsin Members of the Congress of the United States.

Mr. President, in connection with this resolution, I should like to say that I feel that the farmers of America lost a real, truly intelligent friend when REID MURRAY died. I cannot think of another Member of Congress who can fill REID MURRAY's shoes, insofar as the problems of the farmers are concerned. He was the one man to whom any of us could go whenever farm legislation was pending. We always knew that regardless of how he himself might feel about such legislative proposals, he had given them intelligent study, and that we could obtain from him a good, honest résumé of the proposals.

So, Mr. President, I should like to join with some of my friends in the House of Representatives who have had so many fine things to say about Representative REID F. MURRAY.

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